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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

LESTER *et al.*

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For: *Inward Rectifier, G-Protein
Activated Mammalian Potassium
Channels and Uses Thereof*

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on July 12, 2005. The response is being filed with a three-month extension of time on or before January 12, 2006, thus making it a timely response. Although the Applicants do not believe any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (File No. 468250-00008; Docket No.: A-63098-1/RFT).

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